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Docket No: 15436.249.9.3

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 Ping Xie et al)
) Art Unit
 Serial No.: 10/661,991) 2811
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 For: OPTICAL FILTER FOR WAVELENGTH)
 DIVISION MULTIPLIED OPTICAL SIGNALS)
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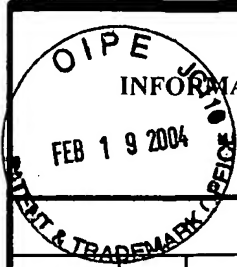
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